

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, March 23, 2021**

Council Members M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President; Michael Blue, Vice-President, Jerry Donald, Kai Hagen, Jessica Fitzwater, Phil Dacey and Steve McKay were present for the meeting.

Also present were Ragen Cherney, Chief of Staff, County Council; Catherine Keller, Assistant County Attorney; Sarah Ambrosio, Recording Secretary; and Nancy Luna, Executive Assistant, County Council.

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. virtually via video conference.

Opening Statement from Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer provided an opening statement at the start of the meeting. Included in that statement was a welcoming to the Workshop for Tuesday, March 23, 2021 and information on how to watch and participate in the meeting. President Keegan-Ayer called roll and a quorum was established for the meeting.

The meeting began with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Selection of Redistricting Commission

Council Members discussed the selection of the Redistricting Commission membership. The Council Members submitted their top three candidates out of the five applications that were received. The Council selected Kyle Bostian for one of the three appointments. However, the remaining applicants had deadlocked with the same amount of votes. Council President Keegan-Ayer delayed the second ballot to later on the agenda to move to a second ballot to select the next two appointments.

President Keegan-Ayer then named the selections provided as required by the Frederick County Charter from the two political party committees. From the Frederick County Republican State Central Committee: Blaine Young, Jr., Dylan Diggs and John Distel. From the Frederick County Democratic State Central Committee were: Flor De Maria Garay, Mark Jafari and James Racheff.

Revisions to the School Construction Fee Bill

Council Members Steven McKay, Jerry Donald and Kai Hagen presented information to the Council on the Revisions to the School Construction Fee Bill.

Council went into recess from 6:53 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the Board of Health Meeting.

The Council then re-convened at 9:05 to continue with the agenda. President Keegan-Ayer called roll and re-established a quorum for the meeting, all Seven Council members

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were present.

Pedestrians Rides or Businesses Bill

Council Member Kai Hagen, Stephen Jones, President, IAFF, Katie Nash, Owner, Greater Good Maryland and Sabrina Allen, Muscular Dystrophy Association, presented information to the Council on the Pedestrians Rides or Businesses Bill.

Selection of Redistricting Commission

Council Members continued their selections for the Redistricting Commission. The Council then proceeded to a second ballot where they then selected Bud Otis and Ryan Yamagata.

Public Comment was heard from:

- None

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President
County Council